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Transcript

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Where do you live? I cannot figure where you live now. You either live on one side of me or you live above me.

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Well, I lived still in my my beautiful big house in Bel Air, which I hopefully I'm going to sell because it's too big for me, you know, that's the three.

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Story as a nightclub.

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She looks when you go into her living room or out on the.

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Patio. You look all over.

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Hollywood, yes, down it's Hollywood.

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Los Angeles at night.

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It's beautiful from my bedroom, I would terrace as long as this. I can go out there and look at the whole Hollywood sometimes alone. That's terrible. But the new house is going to be the same thing, except smaller than the heart Hughes has which I bought.

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Have you do you own?

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That now. Oh, yes, I own it at this in three months, we are fixing it up. We are painting it all beige and white and beautiful. That's where I build a dressing room as big as this. This stage here. But the other house I love is a.

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Passion. It's like.

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A baby heart. I didn't sell it yet. I can't decide now which chance to live in and like.

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Why'd you sell it?

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The whole nightclub downstairs, with tables and chairs, all in red.

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Yes, yeah, that it's beautiful. It's well, I will sell it for \$400,000, then I lose an 850,000.

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What's it worth the house?

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You'll lose 150,000.

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They say you have to lose when you sell a real estate like a private house.

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That's the funniest thing out here when we moved out from the east, the prices of things out here, they take you around, they say. Now here's a little Mediterranean type home for 650,000, but put \$1000 down and you pay it off 60 years.

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It has.

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Yeah, mine is really personal now. Mine are both paid completely 100%. I don't have a mortgage on any one of them.

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But I mean it's I I can't have two houses and I don't want to. But now that I get close to be able to move into the new house, you know, the the smaller house, the heart use House, I am my heart is breaking. So the most upset to leave a house. You lived in 10 years. It really is. I'm.

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Not joking. You know how beautiful the house?

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Well then, why are?

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You moving? I don't know what to do. And I I'm like with my head and I don't know. I have two big houses in ballet and nobody can afford that. So I have to sell. One of them. Shall I sell the new one? Make up my mind that I can't. They're both.

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Beautiful that they're.

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Do you ever go to the White House?

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In yes, I was there about 3 months ago.

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Most recently.

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I was there for a state dinner.

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I love it. It's beautiful. Who stayed president? Miss Nixon gave the dinner and it was for Holly Salassi. I said it and he came up to me that the emperor he asked me for an autograph. That swim.

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Who state?

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Of Ethiopia.

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He's the one who collects girls, isn't he?

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I don't know my kids. He only wanted my autograph. He just.

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What do they call him? The.

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He's he's a lion of Judah, lion of Judah. He's that small his fan. He's brilliant, man and a fantastic person. They made a speech and he said he's the only one who was in the White House and the six different presidents as a guest.

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The lioness of the.

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Yeah.

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Yep.

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Keeps they keep in.

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Hanging back.

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He comes back, he lives so long.

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Did he know who?

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You were.

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He asked me for an autograph. Yes, he did. Hopefully, I hope he didn't think.

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I was Ava.

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Now he's got.

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He's got billions Shasha. You could be the Empress. You could be the lioness of Judah. Wouldn't you like to rule a country?

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Darling, I am.

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The lioness of Judas and Scott? Yes, but alone not with somebody.

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Else.

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White, Prince Rainier.

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I know he's a good friend of mine, darling. I I'm not looking for. I'm looking for a man I can love and he can love me.

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You can love an emperor it.

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Depends. Tiny Emperor running around.

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There is is a little bit.

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I'm the lion of Judah.

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He's he's sort of this little bit of weird and his there's not for me.

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Do you ever see any big guns that were for you?

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What does that mean?

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Royalty.

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Royalty for me? Well, Philip would be alright, but Philip is very well married, you know. Yeah, I know. But he would be my type.

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To the Queen of England, yeah.

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A little bit.

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Every lady loves him, huh?

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I don't know everything, but he's a wonderful looking guy.

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There are lots of wonderful looking people, but they don't have to.

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Be royalty, right, they have not.

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What's so good about Prince Philip?

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I don't think well, Prince Philip is a sportsman. He plays polo and he loves wildlife and helps to preserve them. He does everything I like.

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Does she go along with all of those things?

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Oh yeah, she's a great lady. She really is. Yes, I met her.

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Now, do you know her?

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Did you curtsy?

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Yes, Sir. You have to. She's a Queen of England.

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I suppose you didn't. What is she going to behead you?

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No, I don't know. Maybe she would, but I didn't try it. Now I'm sure she wouldn't, but it would be bad. A ticket you have to wherever you are, you have to keep to the etiquette of the country. That otherwise why go there?

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And why insult them? What other presidents did you know? But President Johnson? Did you go there when he was in?

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As a President, I didn't know President Johnson, I was there in in the White House, but I didn't know him. I knew Lady bird. I knew, of course, President Kennedy and in in America, that's all.

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President.

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An hour.

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President Eisenhower was a great friend of mothers and and their and their husband in Palm Springs, they were practically always together. He was. I really didn't meet him, but I hear he was a fantastic man.

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He was. I once had a meeting with him and I will never forget it as long as I live. It was after he was present we were going.

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To film a show with.

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Him at Gettysburg and I flew in in a big old DC3.

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And he was waiting at the end of the landing strip with his car. And as we landed.

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The plane cut down all of his corn. All the corn just went and there was the President of the United States looking at.

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His. But he was a charming man. Mother. Sister. I'm sorry, she.

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Yeah, great. Great.

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Well, I am supposed to become president of a country takes lots of intelligence and lots of charm and lots of knowledge.

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Do you ever date anybody poor?

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Oh yes, many times. What a silly question. George didn't have a panic.

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No, but I mean he was.

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Well, you can be poor on society now. As a matter of all society is poor nowadays.

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I mean like.

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Alright, if you didn't, not somebody poor, then what about the generator data work working man.

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A working man. My very first kiss I got from the man who used to deliver in Budapest. A call to our house and I found him so beautiful. Well, downstairs, you know where the kitchen was? Downstairs. In our house, there was a court. The room where the core was brought. Because in Hungary, you know, you have the help. Had to put the coal.

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He gave you a kiss.

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Into the.

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Stove to warm the house and this beautiful man. I still remember him in a dirty sweater. An old coal full of coal and tussled hair, and he was, and I always looked at him. I was about 10.

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11 and then Monday he gave me a kiss. Mother found out because the whole call was on my face. It was a.

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Terrible try to teach.

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Shaja kissed the Coleman.

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Did you? How old were you when you?

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Were allowed to date.

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I was never allowed to date. That's why I'm married at the age of 15. I father was. I never had date in my life before I married. Never once.

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Well, you must have been allowed to date.

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Never went out with.

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A young man? No, I came back from from Switzerland, Lausanne that I was in.

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School, your mother said. This is.

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The man you marry.

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No, no, no, no.

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No, no. I had a little dog as Scotty who I loved Mishka and they didn't want me to allow to keep the dog because he had three dogs in the house already. I'll tell you the story. Be fun. And the Turkish ambassador. They always said when I grow up, he'll marry me. So I called him up. I said, your Excellency.

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If I marry you, can I keep the dog? He said.

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Yes, and he.

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Married me, that was.

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My first marriage, love marriage to the dog.

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That's how it all started.

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That's how Dallas cut.

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I'm still there. I still do everything for dogs. I didn't change too much.

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Then did you have to go off with him to his embassy or?

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To tell we went to Ankara. Ohh. It was beautiful. Interesting. I went to school still. I was Excellency felger. No, I was her Excellency. But in daytime I went to school. It's true. I'm not kidding. That's my life. That's your life. That's like the what.

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You are, Mrs. Excellency.

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Kidding.

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And it's 15. You were Her Excellency and having to entertain.

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And gave dinner parties in my house for Tito.

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For what was the name of that fantastic Frenchman? The girl, the the greatest people. And I was there. Always falling asleep at the dinner table because I wasn't interested at all. But then I was the Hostess.

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To go.

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How did you get out?

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Of that marriage.

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I left. I came to America, I just left and the marriage was a nerd. It was really, if you want to be very honest with it was not really consummated.

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As you could.

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Constant.

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It was, uh. Consummated is right.

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It wasn't really, you know, because I was just his wife, but he had about 3 or 4 Turkish beautiful mistresses, and he wasn't very interested in me as a little.

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Girl, but he would.

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He married because he was found me killed. If I asked him to marry, he had two other wives, you know, took So what the hell? He said to himself.

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He has this little girl as a wife too. He's.

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A little black dog, Mitch.

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And you just one day said. Well, that's it. I'm taking you off.

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I left because I had to leave. I couldn't stand it any longer.

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Then how did you come to America on a boat?

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I came to make one believe it five months. It took me to come to America. I went to Baghdad, where I was.

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Kept there two months because my passport was Turkish diplomatic passport. There was a blonde Hungarian girl and they said I'm a spy because how can a blonde?

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Hungarian girl via Turkish diplomatic passport so they kept me there two months and I think the head of the police sort of liked me and I was very, very money. I had some money, not much. I didn't have to to confirm Erica. I was all alone with 21 luggage because I packed all my clothes. I had lots of clothes enter because.

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Did you have any?

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Be by yourself.

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But you must have only been 16 or 17 years old.

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17 years, Sir. So from Baghdad after two months, I went to Karachi and to Bombay, India. I had a hell of a good time. I don't know.

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And then I went to one of those boats where all the missionaries, American missionaries were and assess American lines, something I spoke little English. Not too much, you say. Hindu girlfriend of mine. She was a Hindu Princess who went to school with me in Switzerland. And we arrived to New York, where they were all the friends of mothers and fathers. And then on the first part.

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Event in my life in Hollywood, there I met Conrad Hilton and he proposed to me. And.

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He.

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Married me because he looks so.

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Much like my father, that that's really the truth.

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I've met him.

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What a story.

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It's my story about, you know, you don't become like me for if you don't have this type of experiences in life.

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What do you think when?

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You first saw Eric.

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Oh, I loved it. I always love it. I still each time I come back from Europe to America, it gives me sort of a wonderful feeling because with all the criticism people say about America and that they attack the White House, if they there's no country like America, the only country you feel safe and at home at least.

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Good. We'll be back.

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They smoked for 18 years. Every time I tried to stop.

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Felt withdrawal.

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Anger. Petulance. I was an addict. I used to smoke 60 cigarettes a day.

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Quit smoking a lot of times, a lot of times.

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Four years ago I did a.

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Play, then my husband got ill and he was told he couldn't ever smoke.

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Again and.

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And I realized I'd have to give it up.

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It got to the point where I just had to do something. Cigarettes were.

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Killing me, but I was going to have no chance.

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At all of cutting it in this play.

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Unless I quit.

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Smoking I spent as much time as I could in places where I'd never smoked like bed or in.

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The bathtub. I took the damn things. I destroyed them. I would burn them. I would buy fresh packages and stamp on.

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Them. And finally I lived through all the places where I used to smoke the most. I quit. No withdrawal I.

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Beat the habit.

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And it worked and I feel good.

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We'll be back after this brief pause for station identification.

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More Lexington families choose millwards than any other funeral firm. Think about it.

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That's Millward Funeral Home on Broadway and in Southland.

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Wlex TV, Lexington, KY shop hemson pay nothing until next year. Just a few days left on this offer, so take advantage of Himson's early shopper account. You have three months to pay and no service charge downtown and Turfland mall.

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I was kidding about your cosmetics in the opening of.

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The show.

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Well, you know, we are giving it now half price for a month at pennies, all of America they can have that formalize which makes us all pretty and young. So they really honestly I I think my cosmetic is the best. We are nine older pennies department stores Montgomery Wards may company my God we are in.

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You know, a lot of stories.

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In New York, are you? What's it called Cha Cha's?

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Should I just Jaja Jaja limited? But Sir cosmetic judges line the really the most wonderful one that former Zeke cream. I think I gave you one. Sugar Man uses it to come out here and uses it. Jay Paul Getty uses takes all the little wrinkles. And now that you can have it for half price. But.

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Just for one month.

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Hmm.

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Young fellas here want to meet a.

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Young actor.

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I love to meet a young actor, yes.

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Not many actors have enjoyed the success that my next guest has had in such a short time. He starred in several motion pictures in the last year. He won an Academy Award nomination for his performance in the.

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Award-winning film The Last Picture Show, and he'll soon be seen with Lee Marvin in the American Film Theater. Production of the Iceman comet.

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Here is Lloyd Bridges's youngest son, Jeff Bridges.

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Well, you're talking about a man. Look at it. Looks like a lumberman.

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First you see I have enormous questioned your father. He is divine.

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No. Yeah.

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Here's the sun.

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He's he's a good friend of mine.

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He's a baby.

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Yes.

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I mean a.

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Baby doesn't look like.

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He said.

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A little baby. Look at those blue eyes. That's why I know.

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They're like my old man's, huh?

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You don't like this age, jaja? Not that I'm trying to start any.

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I like this age from my daughter. Are you married? You must meet my daughter. Daughter.
Ohh yeah? Yeah.

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No.

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Ohh yeah, Francesca, Francesca Hilton. Think of all the towels and the Bibles you'd get.

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Ah.

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The Bibles here.

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Yeah.

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Have you ever met a Gabor before?

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Dude, this is beautiful.

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No, never, never have.

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But his father is a great friend of mine for always since I started my career at MGM, I find him just divine.

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I get such good reports about him, you know, whenever.

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I work.

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All the guys in the crew and the people that I'm the actors.

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Yeah, he's a terrific man. And your mother. I love what a good lady she.

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Yeah, he.

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Is she's terrific.

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Sure is. He's married. He never admitted it to me.

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Why should he tell?

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You everything.

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Your brother was here yesterday. It's the bridges week here.

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That's what they've been telling us that day. Yeah. You get the old man and you'll.

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Have a song? Yeah.

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Do you date young ladies your own age?

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I seem to be getting going a little older, you know I.

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Like all the latest new eggs.

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Yeah, a little older. Not, you know, like.

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He said a little old. I'm afraid I'm a little bit more older than little old.

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Well, don't. Don't plan anything in his mind. Just cool.

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Old and how old are you?

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It I'm 23.

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Would be perfect for Francesca. We will have to call.

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You for a dinner table.

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But The thing is, it's happening now. Shaja. Listen, the thing that's happening now are the 23 year olds with.

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The older girls.

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Not my cup of tea, even though it's beautiful. I I take his father, he'll understand me.

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Better do you ever go with an older?

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Don't say that. Ohh God.

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A much older woman.

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Uh, not much. Maybe 5 or 6 years.

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With all the feathers flying around, it's like being on a chicken farm and.

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He's making me feel hot.

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I'm here.

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From the National Weather Service at Lexington's Bluegrass Field, here is the official forecast for Lexington and vicinity scattered showers, or thundershowers, likely today turning cooler tonight with rain ending, decreasing cloudiness and cooler tomorrow. High today in the mid 60s. Low tonight in the mid 40s. High tomorrow near 60.

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Mild Friday with a chance of showers, precipitation probability 60% today 20% tonight.